

Letter from Jonesborough.

Correspondence of the Chronicle.

Jonesboro, June 16, 1870.

We visited the town of Jonesboro a few days since, which has been made historic by electing to his first office the great ex-Mary-Policy-President, who has boasted in every part of the Union that he had filled every office in the gift of the people, from that of President of the United States down to that of Alderman of his native village—which is Jonesboro. You would not be impressed with the fact that he had been altogether as enterprising as an Alderman, as he has been persistent as a politician. The town shows unmistakable evidence of having been under the influence of foggyism in its earlier days, and age, it seems, is not likely to improve it much.

Circuit Court was in session, and when we arrived on Monday evening, we found a goodly number of the citizens of the county of Greene in attendance. Judge E. K. Gillenwaters was presiding, and business was transacted with dispatch. The court, it is said, is likely to adjourn this week, on account of the pressing demand upon the farmers to be at home.

Judge Gillenwaters is now, since the withdrawal of Hon. A. W. Howard, the only aspirant on the Republican ticket in this Circuit, and his friends predict that he will be re-elected by a handsome majority, notwithstanding the partisan legislation to secure all of these important offices to the Democrats. There is great dissatisfaction, even among the unaffiliated, with the candidate of their party. They are charging him with being a Catholic. Whether he is or not, we can't say. Certain it is, he is now very friendly to that denomination, and has rendered them material aid in building a church, which is now under contract. This does not add strength to a man in this section, as it would in some parts of the country, and will doubtless cause the gentleman in question to lose several votes. If the objection is founded upon the simple fact of his having assisted them in their efforts to build a church, it is not well taken, however, as they may be to the particular doctrines of that church.

The opposing candidates for Chancellor, are Hon. H. C. Smith and Major McFarland, both clever gentlemen and neither of them in any way objectionable to their respective parties. The friends of each claim an easy victory for their favorite, though some of them are doomed to disappointment, and we think that as Smith was put out of office by partisanship, he should be re-elected as a rebuke to those who scruple at nothing to advance the interest of party.

There is still more than one aspirant to the office of Attorney General, who are Republicans in politics, though we presume this will be attended to, and but one candidate will, we think, run on that ticket.

Jonesborough is not pleasantly situated, though it is a pleasant little town after all, and around her name clusters many historical events. This is the oldest town, we believe, in Tennessee. The first newspaper published in this State, was commenced here, though soon after removed to Knoxville. Here Andrew Jackson figured in his earlier day as a cock-fighter and a duelist. On a hill which overlooks Jonesborough, is where the hero of New Orleans met his antagonist, to settle a difficulty according to the Code, on which occasion he is said to have acted with the utmost coolness. It seems that "Old Hickory" regarded his opponent as a poor shot, and allowed him to shoot, which he did, missing Jackson, who then advanced, with his pistol presented, until his opponent ran, when Jackson fired up in the air, thus vindicating his honor without trying to take the life of his fellow-man. There is much more we might write of this place, but space forbids.

Having published in our columns the letters of Col. Baxter, we willingly give place to the statements of Gen. Mabry, at his request.

To the Public.

Circumstances seem to me to justify the publication of certain documents in my possession, which have reference to my management of the affairs of the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad.

I submit, first, extracts of a letter from one of my counsel, under whose advice I declined to answer some of the questions of the Legislative Committee:

"JONESBORO, April 12, 1870.

"Colonel Joseph A. Mabry: In consequence of my apprehension that the train might leave me, our conversation on yesterday was brief and unsatisfactory, and to prevent any misunderstanding on your part of the views which I hastily expressed, I have concluded to address you this letter.

"Armed, as the Legislative Committee is, by the resolutions under which they act, with unusual and extraordinary powers to compel the attendance and the examination of witnesses, it would be as useless as impolitic to undertake, in any manner, either to defy or evade their powers. They should be treated, of course, with all the respect and deference due the Legislative Department in whose behalf they act.

"After much reflection on the subject, I am still of the opinion that the most proper course for you to pursue is, to obtain a full and complete transcript of the record, duly certified, in the case against you, and submit the same to the Committee, with a request that they shall judge and determine for themselves, whether it is proper for them to make any inquiry touching any of the matters involved in that suit. The county which is due and generally observed by each of the co-ordinate departments of the Government towards the other, would, as it seems to me, preclude the Legislature from interfering in any way with the pending judicial investigation. At any rate, I think the Committee could, with great propriety, report the fact, and await further and more explicit instruction as to the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad. The question could then be distinctly discussed and considered in the Legislature whether it is proper for that body to interfere with the action of a judicial tribunal, or do anything that may affect the rights of private parties, now lawfully in course of investigation before an appropriate jurisdiction.

"It has always seemed to me that there is, and must of necessity be, some constitutional limitation upon the unlimited powers of investigation usually exercised in Congressional and Legislative committees, and that there must be some point at which the rights of private parties can be protected, and private transactions shielded from the prying gaze of excited curiosity; but where the precise boundary line is, I am not prepared to say, nor do I know that it has been defined either by judicial decision or legislative enactments.

"The spirit of our institutions, however, looks to fair play in every species of trial and investigation, and unless I am greatly mistaken, you will find that a firm but temperate appeal to the Committee, or the Legislature, will prevent that body from throwing its weight into the scales of justice and attempting to turn them in favor of either of the parties to a pending suit.

"Such, at least, are the views which I

entertain as one of your counsel, and you will be governed by them or not, just as you see proper.

Yours, respectfully,

"THOS. A. R. NELSON."

I subjoin the following:

A statement of the disposition made of 930 Tennessee State Bonds received from the State by the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad Company, through J. A. Mabry, President, since January 1, 1868:

DATES OF SALES.	SELLERS.	BONDS.	RATES.
Feb. 7, 1868.	Taylor Bros.	50	60
" 8 "	" "	10	60
" 8 "	" "	5	60
" 10 "	" "	25	60
" 12 "	" "	90	60
" 13 "	" "	50	60
" 14 "	" "	45	60
" 14 "	" "	15	60
" 14 "	" "	5	60
" 14 "	" "	5	60
June 25, 1868.	" "	20	74
Feb. 17, 1869.	Wilson, Callaway & Co.	50	61
" 17 "	" "	30	62
" 26 "	M. B. McMahon	10	61
" 26 "	" "	20	61
" 26 "	" "	30	61
" 27 "	" "	26	61
" 28 "	" "	40	61
" 28 "	" "	4	61
" 28 "	" "	10	61
" 28 "	" "	20	61
" 28 "	" "	15	61
" 28 "	" "	10	61
" 28 "	" "	40	61
Mar. 17, 1869.	" "	10	64
Mar. 10, 1869.	Taylor Bros.	10	64
" 10 "	" "	10	64
" 10 "	" "	10	64
" 11 "	" "	15	66
" 11 "	" "	5	65
" 11 "	" "	5	66
" 11 "	" "	10	66
" 11 "	" "	10	65
" 11 "	" "	25	65
" 12 "	" "	20	65
" 12 "	" "	10	65

Making bonds, sold for the net sum of \$480,120.92.
Bonds handed by J. A. Mabry, President, to me and disbursed by me, 153.
Bonds standing charged at this date to J. A. Mabry, Pres., 2.

Making the received by him as above stated. The following amounts stand to the credit of J. A. Mabry, at this date, on his general (or cash) account:
As President, 20,988.58
As Receiver, 6,824.99

JOHN L. MORGAN, Sec. & Treas.

May 1, 1870.
The following certificate will show that I received neither voucher nor payment for the iron taken up from the track by the Confederate military authority.

"CLARKE COUNTY, VA., Nov. 11, 1869.

"I hereby certify that, during the war, I was Chief Quartermaster of the staff of Gen. E. K. Smith, at Knoxville, Tennessee, and that I had a lot of iron taken from the Knoxville and Kentucky Railroad and used at Morristown, in building a switch to the government store house. This iron was taken without the consent of the President, Jos. A. Mabry, of said road. The iron was not paid for by me or any Quartermaster under my charge, nor was any voucher given by me for the same.

"J. L. MORGAN,
"Late Chief Q'm'r C. S. A."

"VIRGINIA, CLARKE COUNTY, to wit: personally appeared before me, John Morgan, a Justice of the Peace for said county, John L. Morgan, and made oath that the above statement is true.

"Given under my hand, this 11th day of November, 1869.

"JOHN MORGAN, J. P."

"CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT,

VIRGINIA, CLARKE COUNTY, to wit:

"I, George Glass, Clerk of said Court, certify that John Morgan, Esq., who has this day given the written certificate, is a Justice of the Peace in and for said county, duly elected and qualified, and that full faith and credit are due to all his official acts as such.

"Given under my hand, and the seal of said Court, this 11th day of Nov.

[SEAL.] A. D., 1869.

"GEORGE GLASS, Clerk.

"By J. A. MOORE, Dep'y Clk."

I submit the foregoing to the consideration of a candid public, with only this additional remark: that my official acts have received the fullest endorsement of the Board of Directors.

Respectfully,

Jos. A. MABRY.

Letter from Georgia.

MILLEDGEVILLE, June 14, 1870.

For the last three weeks our agricultural friends of Milledgeville, Georgia, have enjoyed an excellent series of rain showers, interspersed with genial showers of sunshine. Crops of all sorts—even to lettuce and spinach—hold out a promise of remunerative return. The great crop of our section, cotton, occupying two thirds, or more, of our arable land, looks remarkably fine. The amount of guano and other fertilizers used by our planters, the present season is fully quadruple that of any former year. If the season is favorable, and prices of cotton are good, our planters will be rewarded well. If either of these contingencies fail they will be ruined.

Provisions are scarce and high-priced. Corn, meal by retail two dollars per bushel, and a ham of good bacon 24 cents per pound; a good article of flour, ten dollars per barrel. Very many families are closely studying "Bacon's Abridgment" who do not expect to turn out lawyers. But there is much money yet in the hands of our planters, and there is no actual suffering among our people. Our colored population is industriously at work. Quite a number are already landholders, and many of these are industrious, thrifty and well-behaved.

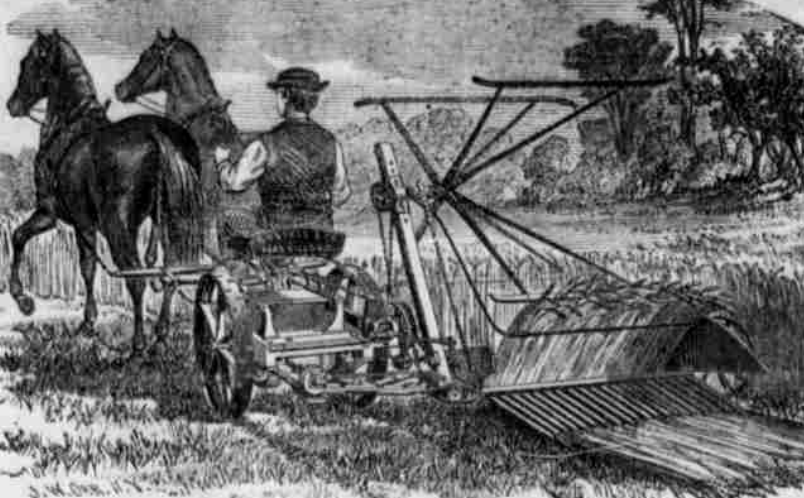
Our recent chief item of local interest is the death of Col. A. H. Kennan, somewhat distinguished as a public man, having been repeatedly a member of the Georgia Legislature, and having held a seat in the Confederate Congress, and remarkable for his success as a criminal lawyer.

Our spring and summer, so far, have been remarkably pleasant. If your weather grows too sultry and oppressive in East Tennessee, run down to Milledgeville and cool off.

E. H. H.

THE CINCINNATI SENGHERFEST.—The Sengerfest which opens at Cincinnati on the 15th instant will last four days. On the first day the mayor of the city of Cincinnati will deliver an address of welcome, and will be responded to by "a singer from abroad." The music to be performed is selected from Weber, Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Mozart, Otto, Heinecke and others. Wenzel Kupta will be the solo violinist.

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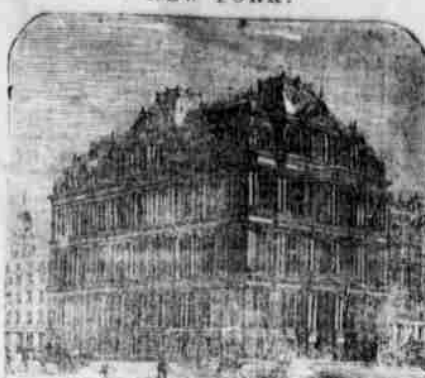
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